

Office Paper and Beverage Container Recycling Program

Indiana School for the Deaf

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Brief Project Description:

In the fall of 2001, the Indiana School for the Deaf contacted the Greening the Government Program for assistance to begin an expanded recycling program at the School. As a state facility within Marion County, the School was eligible for free recycling collection from the State Government Recycling Program's Marion County vendor. The Greening Program, in coordination with School staff, finalized arrangements for this recycling collection service to be provided.

Incentive Program funds were needed to purchase recycling bins for 19 recycling stations set up within the School buildings. To get the program off to a good start, recycling buttons, awards and other supplies were purchased to educate students and staff and to encourage correct, enthusiastic and frequent participation in the program.

- Project Dates: Program began the week of November 15, 2001, to coincide with America Recycles Day activities.
- Location: Indiana School for the Deaf, 1200 E. 42nd Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46205
- Contact Person: Andrew Metz, Superintendent, (317) 924-8401; ametz@isfd.state.in.us
- Program Results: The Recycling Crew working at Indiana School for the Deaf (ISD) reported that much of the waste at ISD was paper and cans. Everyone was excited to start the program. Housekeeping mentioned that the recycling paper bin with wheelers made their job easier by not having to lift up the wasted paper in the trash cans and dump into larger containers. The recycling program at ISD is a huge success for everyone and we have no intention of stopping the program. In fact, a group of ISD students have already started a newspaper-recycling program! We are also working on "Blue Jeans" week sometime soon where everyone will focus on recycling old hard-copy papers.

"The ISD Community has done a remarkable job in working together to assist the State of Indiana in its recycling efforts through the Indiana Greening Program. The school has made tremendous strides and continues to implement new project as part of the program." said by George Stailey, Superintendent